Cherokee Nation's Community Services Block Grant

Opportunity for Public Review and Comment on the Cherokee Nation's Community Services Block Grant for Fiscal Year 2018

Anyone from the public is welcome to review and comment upon the Nation's plan through the following means by 5:00 p.m. (CST) August 23, 2017:

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The Cherokee Nation 2018 Plan consists of the following:

1. Ameliorate the effects of poverty among the Cherokee Nation through training and technical assistance activities that will positively influence the income level of individuals and families currently living at or below the poverty line.
2. Establish partnerships with organizations that work with youth in predominantly Cherokee communities in order to increase their capacity toward interrupting the poverty cycle and move communities and families toward self-sufficiency.
3. Positively influence current and future income of families by developing financial literacy programs in isolated Cherokee communities, with an emphasis on the youth.

The specific types of programs/activities to be funded will include:

1. Financial literacy training and financial literacy camps/programs.
2. Youth programs that promote personal and community development and economic self-sufficiency.
3. Programs that provide emergency services.

The Cherokee Nation shall serve low-income individuals and families that live in the fourteen-county jurisdictional area. An emphasis shall be placed in areas where a significant number of children and families are living at or below poverty.

The criteria and method for the distribution of funds shall be by identifying community organizations that serve youth in high poverty areas. The Cherokee Nation expects a portion of funds be designated to be administered by the public organization, Community Services of Cherokee Nation, through a board of advisors for certain priority areas not covered by an available organization described above. The funds to be distributed to eligible organizations shall depend on the availability of funds, number of participants and the number of beneficiaries the proposed program would serve.